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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the specification:

On page 8, line 13, add the following,

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- --Figs. 10 and 11 illustrate a detailed view of the rotor assembly;
 - Fig. 12 illustrates an overall view of the shredding apparatus;
 - Fig. 13 illustrates the shredding apparatus in a servicing mode;
 - Fig. 14 illustrates the flexible hose assembly;
 - Fig. 15 illustrates an overall view of the shredding apparatus with flexible hose assembly attached;—

Also add the --ABSTRACT-, as set forth on the attached sheet.

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2. The above noted amendment was made in order to avoid an objection to the specification and to place the case in condition for allowance.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John M. Husar whose telephone number is (703) 308-6178. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.- Fri. during normal business hours.

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